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DE-A-4 220 636 shows a coupling of drill anchors with a sleeve with an inside thread and with two anchor pipes which bear an outside thread and which are screwed into the sleeve from opposing sides, essentially in the lengthwise middle of the sleeve there being an annular rib which projects to the inside, and the front surfaces of the ends of the

anchor pipes held in the sleeves being located in the area of the annular rib and directly adjoining one another, the outside surfaces of the ends of the anchor pipes adjoining the inner end surface of the annular rib, forming a seal. In the coupling as claimed in DE-A-42 20 636 there are annular seals located next to the annular rib.

Respectfully submitted,

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